

chamber and is returned to the electrical discharging region of the discharging electrode; and operating rotation of the blower in accordance with a state of electrical discharging from said discharging electrode including operating rotation of the blower in a stand-by state in which no laser gas is excited by the electrical discharging from said discharging electrode and thus no laser light is emitted whereas the chamber is in a condition to output the laser light, and differently operating rotation of the blower in an in-operation state in which the laser gas is excited by the electrical discharging from said discharge electrode and the laser light is being outputted.--

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REMARKS

Applicants request favorable consideration and allowance of the subject application in view of the preceding amendments and the following remarks.

Claims 1, 2, 4-8, 10-15 and 17-46 are presented for examination. Claims 1, 13, 20, 21, 37 and 46 are independent.

Claims 1, 2, 4-8, 10-15 and 17-29 were previously allowed in this application. Claims 21-46 have been added to recite additional features of the subject invention, and have been patterned after Claims 1, 2, 4-8, 10-15, 17-29. Since Claims 1, 2, 4-8, 10-15 and 17-29 are allowable, Applicants submit that Claims 21-46 likewise should be deemed allowable. Therefore, Applicants further submit that the instant application should be in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and an early passage to issue are requested.

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